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TAGS: OEXC SCUL FR
SUBJECT: FY 2006 IVLP- NOMINATION AND PART I BIODATA FOR MR.
ALEXANDRE GALDIN - PRINCIPAL CANDIDATE FOR INDIVIDUAL
PROGRAM.

REF:

START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):
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ECA-OFFICE: E/VGE
PROG-AGENCY-NAME:
POST-PROJ-ID: 285
ECA-PROJ-NO:
PROJ-NAME: FY 2006 - INDIVIDUAL Program - Alexandre Galdin
START MEMO PROJ-DESC:

END MEMO PROJ-DESC:

PROJ-TYPE: Individual
PROG-TYPE: IV Grant Visitor
FY: 2006
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STATUS: N
ORIGINATOR: P
SUBJ-DISC: Foreign Policy
START BIO:
PREFIX: Mr.
F-NAME: Alexandre
M-NAME:
L-NAME: Galdin
SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 0
PRINCIPAL?: Yes
M-ADDR1: Secretariat General de la
M-ADDR2: Defense Nationale - SGDN
M-ADDR3: 51, boulevard de Latour Maubourg
M-CITY: Paris
M-STATE:
M-CNTRY: France
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M-EMAIL: alexandre.galdin@SGDN.pm.gouv.fr
M-CNTRY-ID: FR
M-ADDRTYPE: B
GENDER: M

DOB: 01/05/1968

MAR-STAT: M

BIRTH-CITY: Paris

BIRTH-CNTRY: France

CITIZ-CNTRY: France

RES-CNTRY: France

START MEMO POSITION:

Advisor in charge of inter-ministerial coordination for
security and defense matters, General Secretariat for National
Defense (SDGN), since February 2004

END MEMO POSITION:

START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

Since April 2001:

- Vice-President (UMP) of the Financial and Open Markets

Commission of the Paris Council

- Elected Advisor (UMP) to Paris 15th district

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:

- June 2002-December 2003 - Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Research and New Technologies Claude Haignere
- January-December 2002 - President of the French section of the Atlantic Association of Young Political Leaders
- January-May 1995 - Assistant to Rene Dejean then Treasurer of the Presidential Campaign of Edouard Balladur
- February 1994-June 2002 - Parliamentary Assistant to Rene Dejan then Deputy-Mayor (RPR) of Paris 15th district
- 1993-1994 - President of the Conference Olivaint (Independent Political Education Center for all parties created in 1875)
- September 1992-December 1993 - National Service in the Navy

END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:

START MEMO US-TRAVEL:

None

END MEMO US-TRAVEL:

START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:

- Egypt, Turkey - 2004 for tourism
- Greece, Italy - 2003 for tourism
- Morocco, Malta - 2002 for tourism

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:

START MEMO EDUCATION:

2000 - Center for Higher Studies in Armament (CHEAr), fellow in the 36th session

1992 - Master in Business Law

1991 - Degree in Public Administration, Institute of Political Studies of Paris

END MEMO EDUCATION:

START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:

- Member of the French section of the Atlantic Association for Young Political Leaders (AAYPL)
- Member of the CEPS (Center for Strategic Studies)
- Member of the Board of the CHEAr (Center for Higher Studies in Armament attached to the Ministry of Defense), since 2000
- Financial Agent for the Political Group "Association Paris 15th district", since 1995

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:

START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:

END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:

START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

FIRST-LANG: French

ENGL-READ: 2

ENGL-SPEAK: 2

ENGL-COMP: 2

START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

Alexandre Galdin is a fast-rising expert on defense and security matters for the French government who has a bright career ahead of him. He has the ear of UMP politicians and is in a position to influence French government representatives for years to come. A trip to the U.S., where he has never been before, would provide him expertise to better appreciate American policies, to start to build a network of contacts and to help him communicate a positive view of the value of transatlantic cooperation.

Given the SGDN's focus on regional conflicts, on counter-terrorism and on other security and defense matters, Mr. Galdin would be able to draw on his experience in the I.V. Leadership program. This type of investment is sure to have a positive influence on the Post's long-term MPP Goals.

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

Post recommends that we send him as an individual grantee on a project dealing with Foreign Affairs and Security issues.

Post also suggests that Galdin meets with political consultants and gains a better understanding of the domestic American policy-making process.

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

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END MEMO VIS-REC:

NOMINATING-OFFICER: Caroline Gorse-Combalat

START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

In the General Secretariat for National Defense (SGDN: inter-ministerial agency attached to the Prime Minister's Office), Alexandre Galdin works in close contact with the Secretary General of National Defense who advises the Prime Minister on defense, security, foreign affairs, domestic, economic and financial issues. The SGDN role is to help out the General Secretary of the Government coordinate its tasks, prepare

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Cabinet meetings and draw up reports.

As advisor in charge of the inter-ministerial coordination of defense and security matters, Galdin has demonstrated his capacity to be an influential actor in the field of defense and foreign affairs issues.

In the UMP, Alexandre Galdin has already held strong positions as Assistant to the presidential campaign of Edouard Balladur in 1995, as member of the board of the French section of the Atlantic Association for Young Political Leaders from 1996 until 2002, as member of the RPR departmental committee of Paris in 1998 and now as Vice-President (UMP) of the Financial and Open Markets Commission of the Paris Government. Again, in these instances, Alexandre Galdin has developed his influence and expects to play a growing role in the future.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

NOM-OFF: PA - U.S. Embassy Paris, France

SPEAKER?: No

NOTIFY-EMB: No

MEDIA?: No

HOME-STAY: No

HOME-HOSP?: No

E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER

NOMINEE-ID: 572

PERSON-ID: 471

BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: FR

CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: FR

RES-CNTRY-ID: FR

FIRST-LANG-ID: FR

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US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0

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INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0

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VIS-AMOUNT: 0

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